## Congress of the United States

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations U.S. Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Columbus Wastewater Improvement Project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Village of Columbus located at 214 W. Broadway Ave. Columbus, NM 88029. The funding would be used for the improvement of a wastewater treatment facility. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will mitigate a public health hazard given the current facilities state of disrepair and frequent overflowing.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a)(2). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely

Gabe Vasquez

Member of Congress